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The research went very well this summer and the field trials are complete now. The Liberty Link cultivars that were advertised as resistant were resistant in our field trials where pathotype 2 is prevalent. Pathotype 2 is the main pathotype in canola production areas in Ontario. This was confirmed in growth room trials with pathotype 2 and pathotype 6. P6 is common in vegetable production areas in Ontario.

We also tested a range of canola cultivars from Corteva and they were resistant also.

The cultivar 45H29 has been the standard. It is interesting, but concerning, that at least 3 fields have been identified in Ontario (two around Verner and one near Orangeville) where clubroot can overcome the resistance in 45H29.

Table 1. Clubroot incidence (%) and disease severity index (DSI), and fresh weight and dry weight, of clubroot susceptible and resistant canola cultivars grown at the Muck Crops Research Station, 2019, where pathotype 2 is predominant

Cultivar	Expected reaction	Incidence (%)	DSI (0-100)	Fresh wt. (g plant ⁻¹)	Dry wt. (g plant ⁻¹)
L234PC	Resistant	0 a	0 a	109 a	12072 a
L2421C	Resistant	1 a	0 a	83 abc	7703 abc
L135C	Resistant	1 a	0 a	96 ab	8340 ab
45H29	Resistant	2 a	2 a	99	7356
L255PC	Resistant	21 a	7 ab	123 a	11723 a
Mei Qing Choi	Susceptible	67 b	49 bc	30	1467
L252	Susceptible	71 b	66 c	59 bc	6447 bc
InVigor 5030	Moderately resistant	79 b	66 c	42 c	4213 c
ACS N39	Susceptible	81 b	68 c	46 c	5532 bc
L233P	Susceptible	99 b	86 c	52 bc	5955 c

¹Means followed by the same letter in a column are not significantly different at $P = 0.05$, Tukey's test.